



## KENTUCKY STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

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### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR ENDORSEMENT CANDIDATES PHYSICAL THERAPIST & PHYSICAL THERAPIST'S ASSISTANT**

*There is **no** Temporary License for persons applying for licensure by Endorsement. You may not be employed in Kentucky classified as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant in any manner until your application is completed, approved and credentialed by the Board.*

#### **TO QUALIFY FOR, AND MAKE APPLICATION:**

- 1) You must have successfully completed a CAPTE ACCREDITED Program in Physical Therapy and meet all other requirements outlined in these instructions. Foreign educated physical therapists must also meet additional requirements. Call or write for those instructions and forms if you are foreign educated.
- 2) Complete and return the enclosed application to the board office along with a cashier's or certified check or money order in the amount of \$170.00 payable to the "Kentucky State Board of Physical Therapy". This is non-refundable fee. Do not send cash, business check or personal check. If you do, the check will be returned and delay your application.
- 3) You are to personally sign and assume responsibility for the accuracy of all completed application materials. Persons who are "bonafied travelers" as well as others are to use their own residence address on the application but may request in a separate letter that correspondence be sent to you through another address.
- 4) You must hold an active license in at least one jurisdiction. Send the enclosed "Verification of Licensure" form to each state in which you are now, or have ever held a temporary permit or license. You may duplicate the form if needed. Please check in advance with each board to determine if there is a fee for this administrative service. *Request the jurisdiction is to return the form directly to this Board.*
- 5) Applicants for licensure by endorsement must have successfully completed the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE). Exam scores may be transferred to Kentucky *only* by the FSBPT Score Transfer Service. You may request your scores online at <https://www.fsbpt.net/pt>. You must know your candidate ID number and date of examination which may be obtained from the licensure board in the state where you were examined.

To pass, the score required for persons examined before 07/93 is equal to a -1.5 standard deviation below the National Average Raw Score set equal to a "converted 75." Beginning with the 07/93 NPTE, Kentucky requires a criterion referenced passing score set equal to 600 within a scale of 200-800. A person who received less than a '600' criterion referenced score beginning with the 07/93 exam cannot be licensed or work in Kentucky until he or she has

achieved a criterion referenced passing score on the NPTE and been issued a Kentucky PT license or PTA certificate.

**Please note that beginning July 1996, all states had adopted criterion referenced scoring. Therefore, the raw score passing point/exam is not relevant to endorsement candidates who took the exam as of 07/01/96.**

6) Complete, within the previous 2 years, a Kentucky Cabinet for Health Services (CHS) approved course of **FOUR (4)** or more hours on the transmission, control, treatment & prevention of human immunodeficiency virus infection, HIV and Aids. Courses must be specific to physical therapy or approved for all licensed health professions. For further instructions refer to "HIV/Aids Education Courses."

**NOTE: Criminal background check(s) are now conducted on each applicant.** Each report is to confirm your response to the question concerning convictions on your application form. It is critical that you include ALL convictions, not merely felony convictions. All convictions must be listed, not just in the last five years. Do not list minor traffic violations that do not include any form of substance abuse.